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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE UNSC MEETING ON TERRORISM

REF: STATE 303526

1. DURING MEETING ON JANUARY 9 THE FOREIGN MINISTER AND I DISCUSSED THIS SUBJECT: (ESCOVAR SALOM WAS OUT OF THE COUNTRY WHEN THE ISSUE AROSE AND AT THE TIME OF OUR SUBSEQUENT TALKS WITH THE GOV ABOUT IT.) I OFFERED OUR THOUGHTS ABOUT THE GOV CONSIDERING A SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING RATHER THAN A SPECIAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

2. ESCOVAR SAID THAT IN HIS PERSONAL VIEW A SPECIAL GENERAL

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ASSEMBLY WOULD NOT BE FEASIBLE. HE MADE NO COMMENT ON THE IDEA OF A SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING BUT EXPRESSED THE VIEW

THAT IN ANY CASE IT WOULD TAKE "YEARS" TO OBTAIN EFFECTIVE UNITED NATIONS ACTION AND INTERNATIONAL MACHINERY. ESCOBAR THEN SAID THAT "PRIVATE AGREEMENTS" AMONG INTERESTED STATES ARE NEEDED TO CHECK THE GROWING THREAT OF TERRORISM TO WORLD STABILITY. HE WAS VAGUE AS TO WHAT THOSE AGREEMENTS MIGHT ENTAIL BUT DID MENTION EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON TERRORISTS AND THEIR ACTIVITIES A USEFUL FIELD FOR COLLABORATION. I SAID I WAS CONFIDENT WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO EXCHANGE INFORMATION IN THIS FIELD.

3. COMMENT: THE REFERENCE TO "PRIVATE AGREEMENTS" SINGLED OUT VENEZUELA TO ME. THE VENEZUELAN MUST BE THINKING OF THE COSTS INVOLVED IN A PUBLIC CONFRONTATION WITH THE ARABS IN THE UN ON THIS ISSUE.

4. THE DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO REPEAT THE REFTEL AND THIS MESSAGE TO AMEMBASSY BOGOTA.
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